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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Xiao et al.

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For: Hierarchical Open Security
Information Delegation and
Acquisition



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above identified application as shown. If required,
an appropriate extension of time is hereby requested.

Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to
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